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Applicant	:	Sven Sjostam
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**DECLARATION OF PRIOR INVENTORSHIP IN A WTO MEMBER COUNTRY
TO OVERCOME CITED PATENT OR PUBLICATION
(37 C.F.R. 1.131)**

I, Thorulf Löfstedt, do hereby declare and state as follows:

1. I am a consulting designer residing in Jönköping, Sweden.
2. In late 1999 or early 2000, I met with Mr. Sven Sjöstam regarding a new play and training equipment conceived of by Mr. Sjöstam. Mr. Sjöstam's conception for his play and training equipment is described in an informal communication from Mr. Sjöstam to myself, a copy of which is attached as Exhibit A.
3. Subsequent to our above noted meeting, I worked with Mr. Sjöstam to construct a model of Mr. Sjöstam's play and training equipment. Photographs of the model are shown in Exhibit B. This model was constructed in accordance with drawings and sketches which were provided by Mr. Sjöstam. Copies of the drawings and sketches are attached as Exhibit C. The model shown in the photographs of Exhibit B were completed in the spring of 2000.

4. After the model was constructed, I worked with Mr. Sjöstram to construct a full-size prototype of his play and training equipment. A photograph of the prototype is shown in Exhibit D. This prototype was constructed in the summer of 2000.

5. The models and prototype were all built in Sweden.

6. I have learned that Mr. Sjöstram filed a patent application for his invention in the United States, and that the US Patent Examiner cited US Pat. No. 6,503,174 to Mantooth as a bar to Mr. Sjöstram's application. The Mantooth patent has an effective filing date of January 9, 2001. Mr. Sjöstram conceived of his invention prior to January 9, 2001. Additionally, the models and a prototype of the invention I helped Mr. Sjöstram construct were all completed prior to January 9, 2001.

7. I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

Thorulf Löfstedt
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Date: 2 sept. 2003

Signed At: Jönköping Sweden

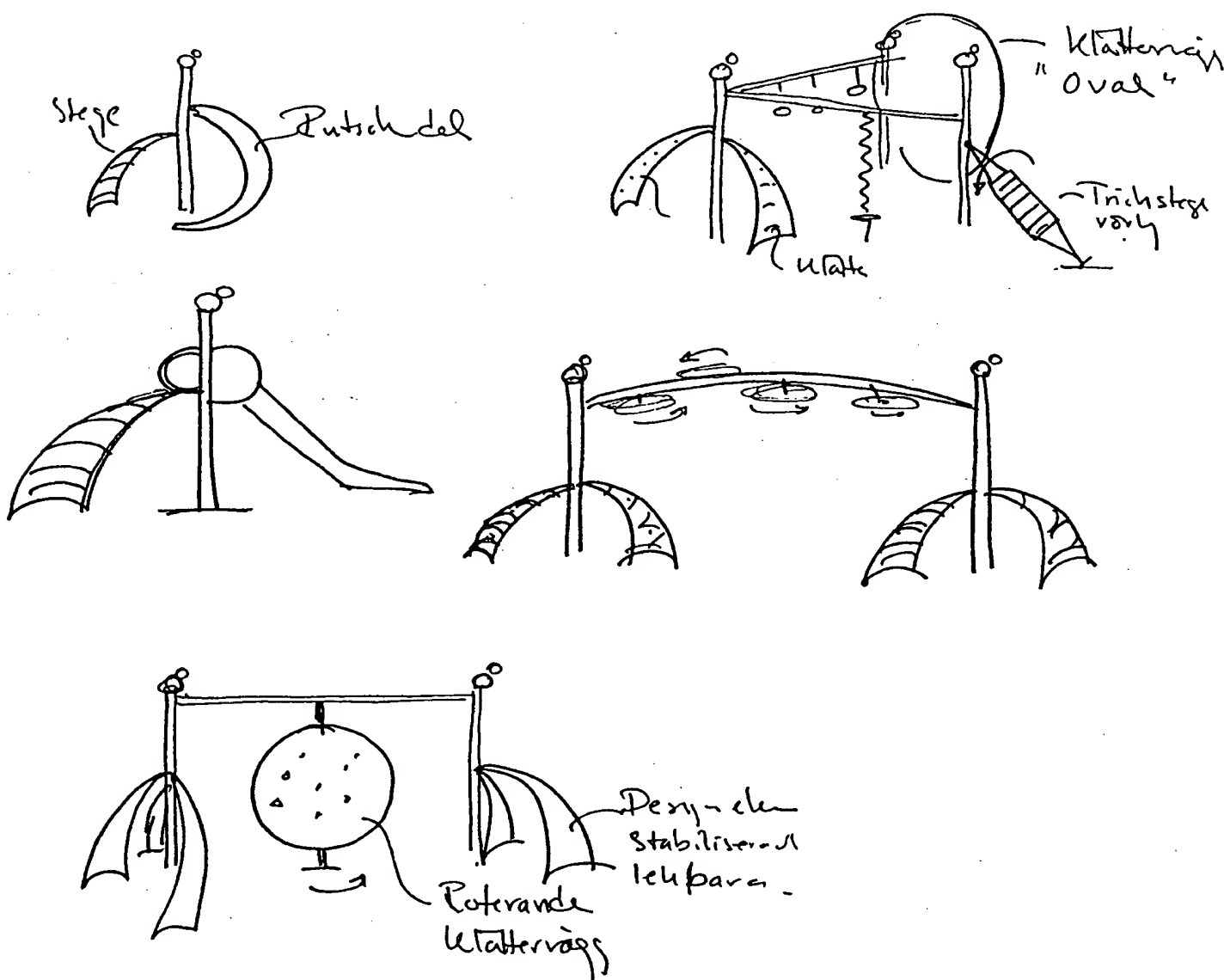
Hej Thorulf!

Jag vill med detta brev föra ett resonemang för att finna en framkomlig väg i produktutvecklingen med stålmaterial. Behovet av stål kommer främst från vissa delar av marknaden, men behovet av nyheter gäller hela marknaden. Att direkt placera in stålstolpe i Uniplay-systemet förefaller för den oinvidde (kunden) som enkelt. I praktiken innebär det att varje komponent måste få en högre tillförlitlighet vad gäller hålbild, samt att vid varje tänkbar förändring påverkas stolpen. Logistikmässigt innebär detta att varje stolpe produceras direkt efter order och beredning av hålbild. Tekniken att göra ett hål med utkragning verkar genialisk och ger direkt en viss skyddshöjd mot plagiat, alltså en intressant teknik att bygga på.

Jag har skrivit ett försök till policy hur vi ska angripa problemet. Därtill har jag låtit pennan förmedla något av vad jag menar. Det vore intressant att ventilera detta med dej, tror att det kan finnas en intressant väg utan att offra framtida möjligheter till ett full-stål Uniplay. Nyhetsbehovet blir prioriterat och borde tillfredsställa större del av marknaden.

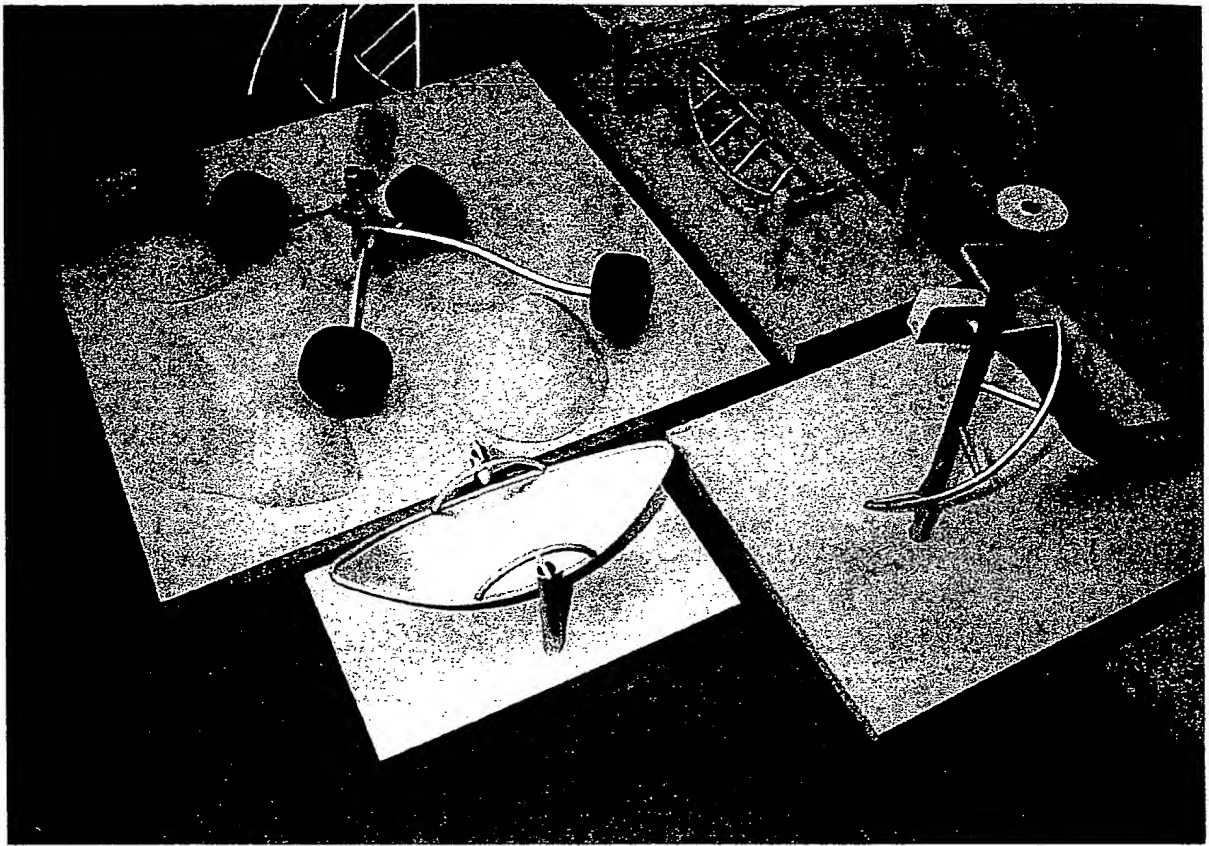
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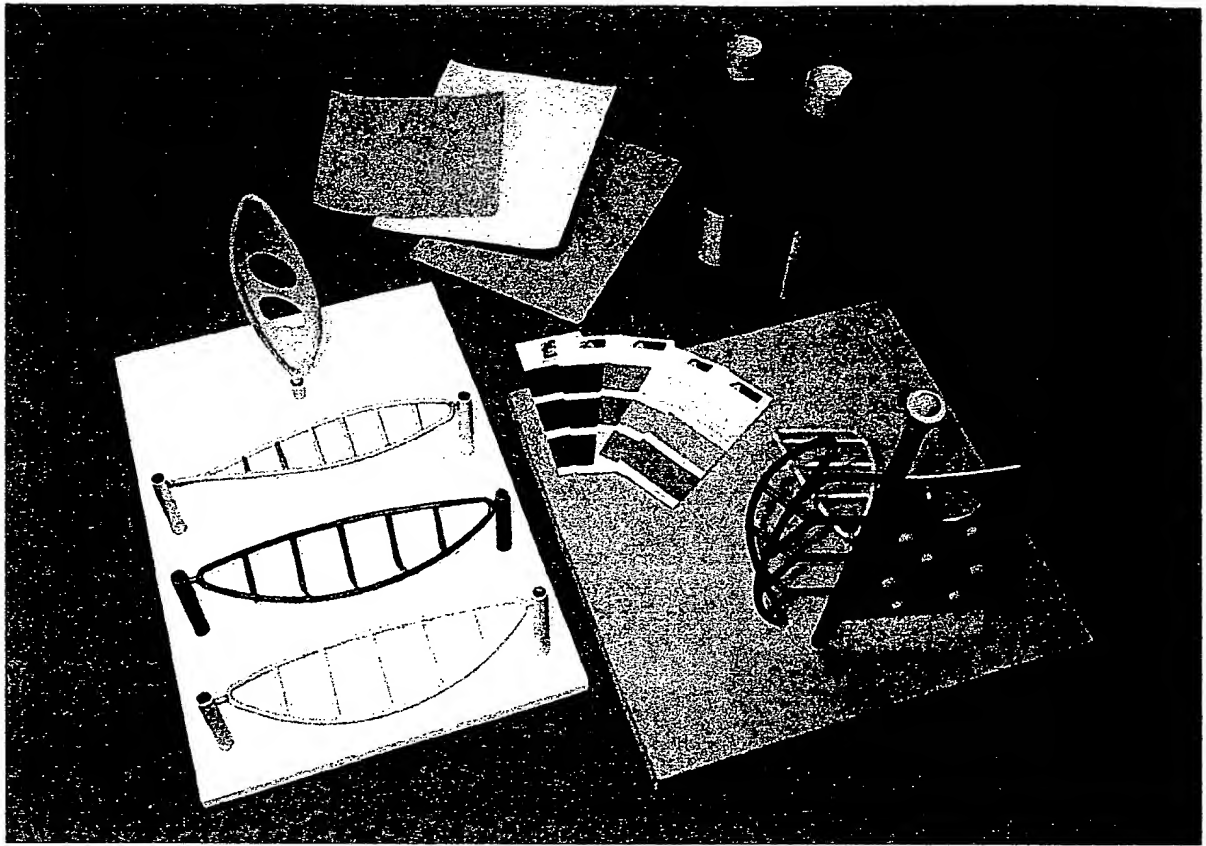
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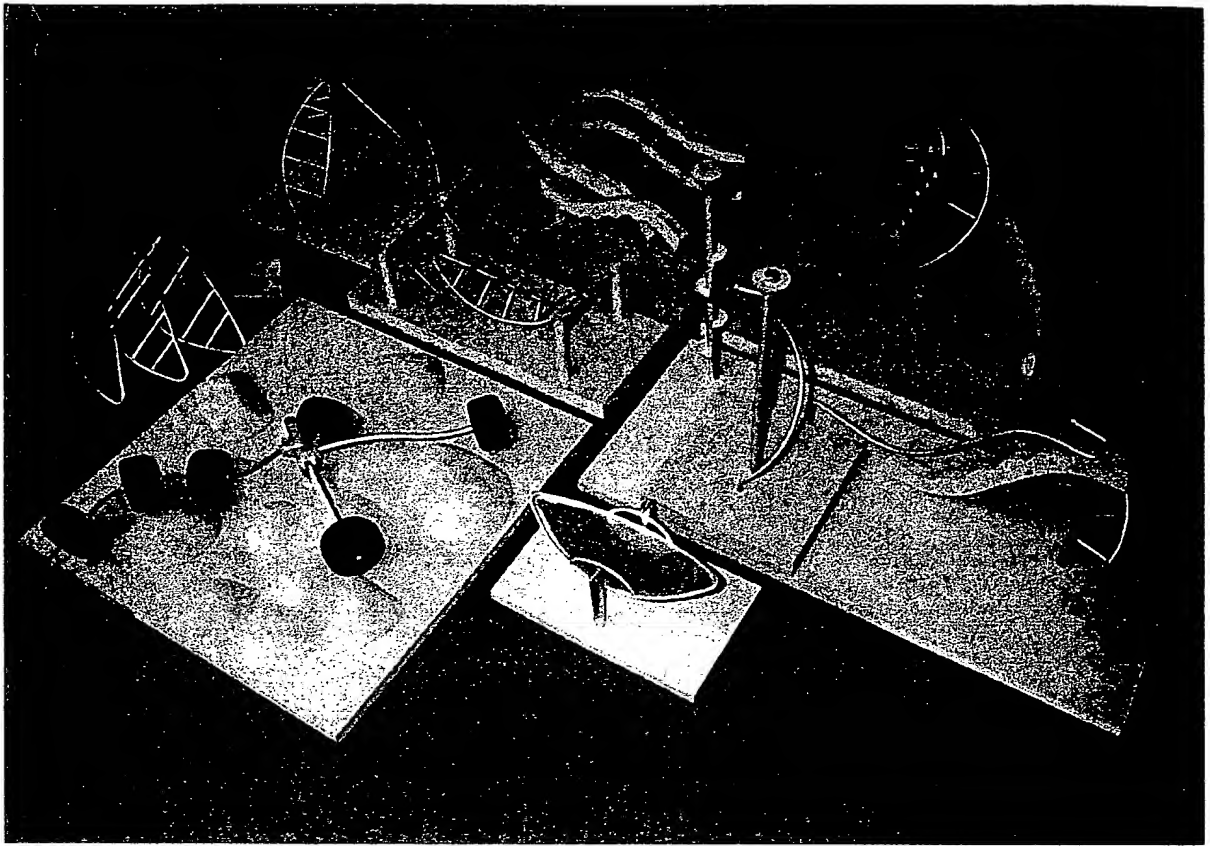


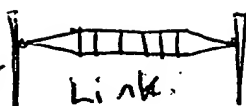


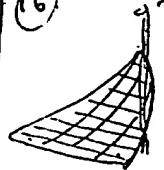
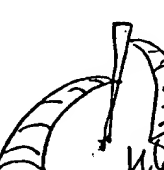
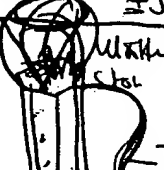




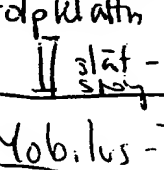
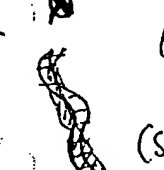

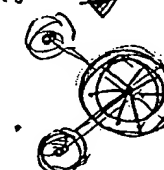

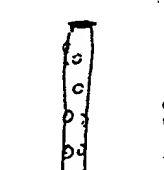
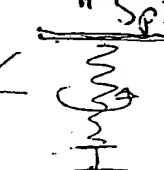


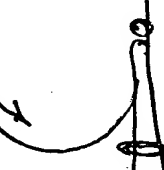
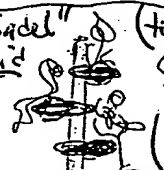
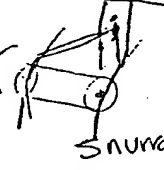
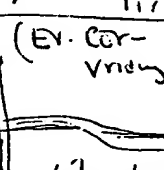
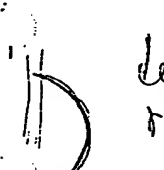
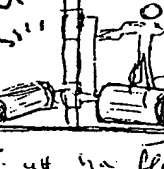
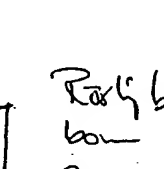
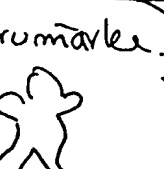
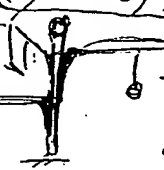

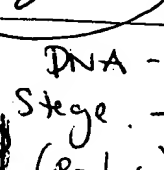
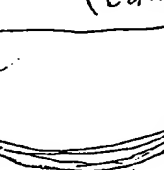
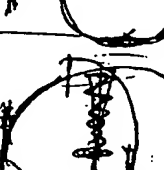
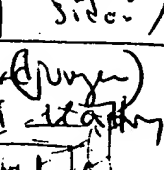

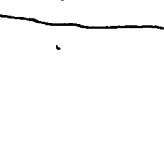
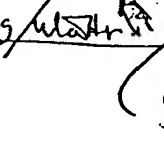
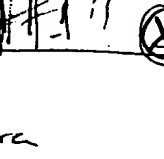
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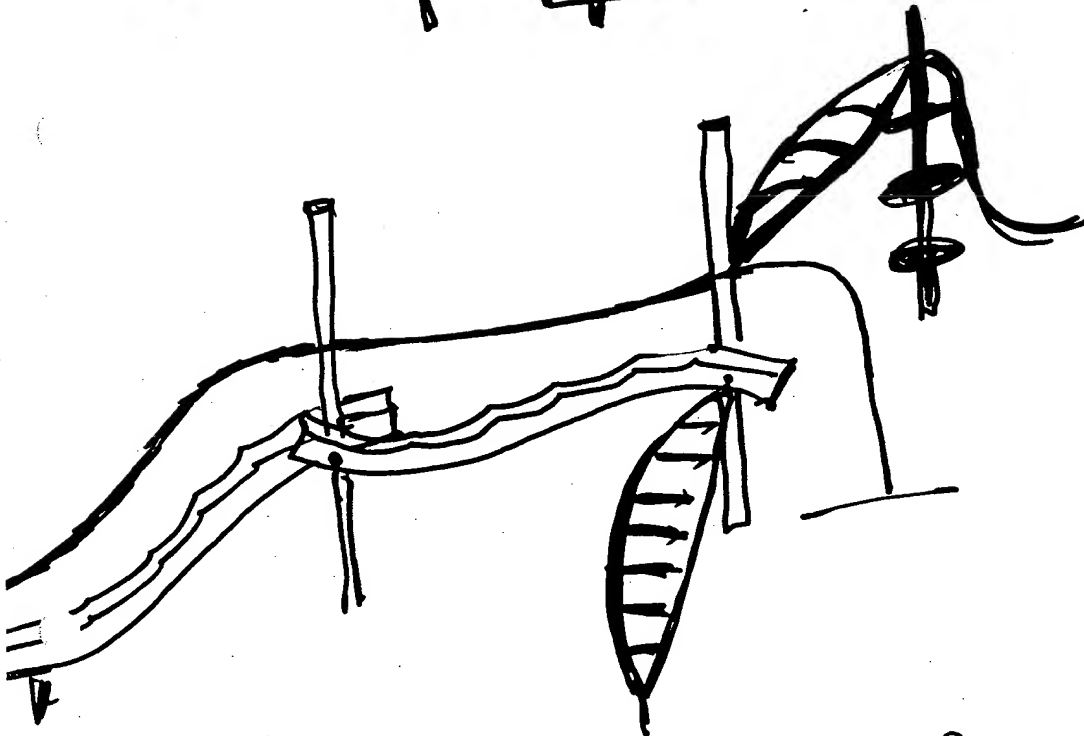
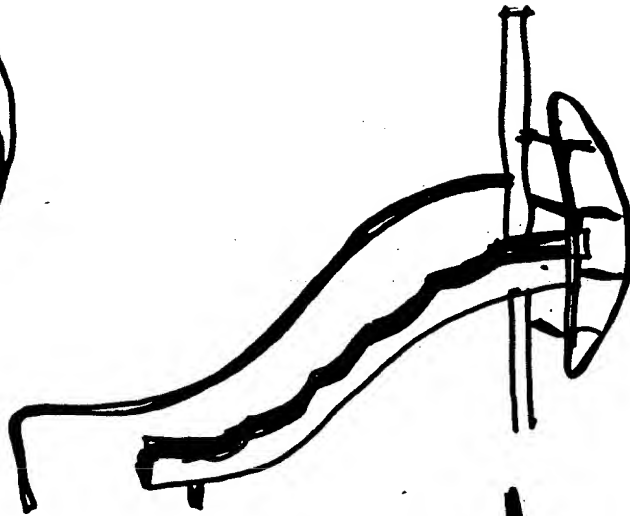
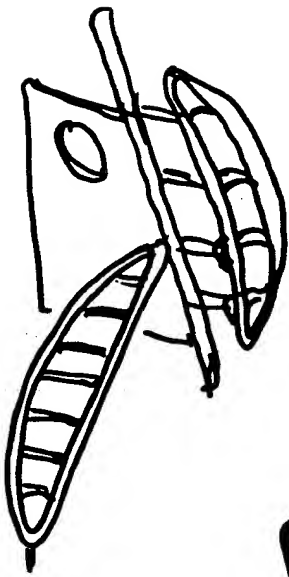
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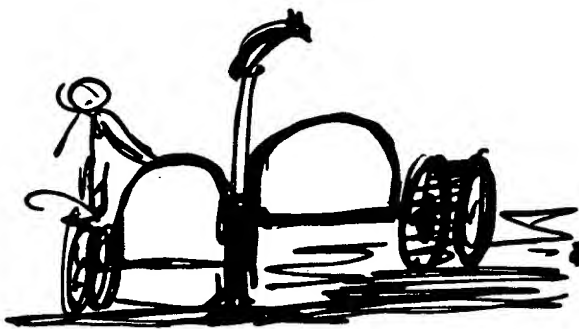




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 <p>Rörig Ulltverk och svängande</p>	 <p>Cykel- kammell fr Arm- chasing</p>	 <p>Fisknät fr Vila</p>	 <p>Ullt- gole</p>	 <p>Ullt- skor I Stor</p>
 <p>Rörig Ulltverk Fraktions- biermsad</p>	 <p>Arm- gän Kunns Dacke monter</p>	 <p>12 flytta sig vin uppt.</p>	 <p>"Ullt- trå" (Ullt- trå)</p>	 <p>Stolp- Ullt- trå II slät- styg</p>
 <p>DNA Asymmetrisk styg (Skruvad styg)</p>	 <p>Unado.</p>		 <p>Diverse statiska element.</p>	<p>Mobilus- Kant</p>
 <p>Ullt- stolpe.</p>	 <p>"Spiral- snurra"</p>	 <p>Bana Piruet-platt</p>	 <p>"Links"</p>	
 <p>Sadel Rid (Hopp- platta)</p>	 <p>Snurande tun</p>	 <p>(Ei. Cor- vning).</p>	 <p>Design element i HPL</p>	
 <p>Ledstängs- rör</p>	 <p>St. vid snurra gå ut na flä- (Balans) däck</p>	 <p>Rörig balans- bom</p>	 <p>Varumärke.</p>	<p>Funktion Senare!</p>
 <p>Rörig Lian (Bakas)</p>	 <p>Spiral- snurra skulptur Gymnastik- redskap Träsk, ram, etc.</p>	 <p>triff fall.</p>	 <p>Vrid- repsk. DNA- Stige (Rörig- sidor)</p>	<p>Se asymmetrisk stige.</p>
 <p>Banan- Vippan. Pendel- princip</p>	 <p>≤ 1.5</p>		 <p>Ullt- trå UUB i Ullt- trå</p>	
 <p>Kombi- styg- styg</p>		 <p>Spiral-snurra</p>		



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